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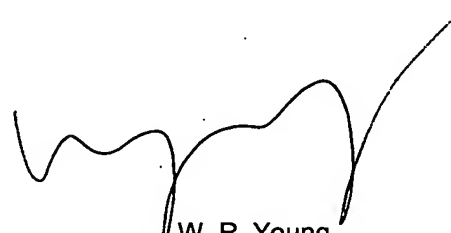
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The reply filed on January 18, 2007 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 C.D. 11,453 O.G. 213. In an application in which prosecution on the merits is closed, i.e., after the issuance of an Ex Parte Quayle action, where an amendment is presented curing the noted formal defect and adding one or more claims, some or all of which are in the opinion of the examiner will require a further search, the amendment in such a case will be entered only as to the formal matter. Applicant has no right to have new claims considered or entered at this point in the prosecution (MPEP 714.20 [R-2]). See 37 CFR 1.111.

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